

River Study Committee



The Final Version of the Great Dam Removal Study documents are now available. See the supporting documents below.

The Exeter River Study Committee is a 12-person committee charged with providing advice to the Board of Selectmen in all matters relating to the management of the Exeter River, its tributaries, and watershed. In 2000, following a Letter of Deficiency notification that the Great Dam does not meet NHDES Dam Safety Bureau Standards, the Town and its many partners have been working to develop alternatives to address this deficiency.

Member	Term	Member	Term
Lionel Ingram, Chair	4/2017	Vacant, W/S Rep.	
Peter Richardson, Vice Chair	4/2016	Roger Wakeman, PEA Rep.	Ex-Officio
Frank Patterson	4/2016	Kristen Murphy, Natural Resource Planner	Ex-Officio
Rod Bourdon	4/2017	Paul Vlasich, DPW Rep.	Ex-Officio
Richard Huber	4/2015	Ginny Raub, Conservation Commission Rep.	Ex-Officio
Dr. Mimi Larsen Becker	4/2015	Don Clement, BOS Rep.	Term

Dam Removal Feasibility Study

In 2011, a working group was established to incorporate public concerns, establish a task list and act as the liaison between the River Study Committee and the selected consultant VHB in Dam Removal Feasibility Study. The focus of this study is the evaluation of impacts on a variety of areas of public concern for dam modification or dam removal scenarios. The working group consists of the following members: Co-chairs Mimi Becker and Deb Loiselle (NHDES), Rod Bourdon, Phyllis Duffy (DPW), Eric Hutchins (NOAA), John Merkle (Heritage Comm.), Kristen Murphy (Planning), Peter Richardson, Sally Soule (NHDES), Paul Vlasich (DPW), Roger Wakeman (PEA), and the lead project consultant for VHB Peter Walker.

Study Timeline

Tasks	Timeline
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Tasks

Field Surveys
Define Alternatives
Preliminary Analysis of Alternatives
Public Meeting
Draft Feasibility Report
Public Meeting
Final Feasibility Report

Timeline

Completed- June thru October 2011
Completed - Fall thru Winter 2011-2012
Completed - Winter thru Spring 2012
Completed - May 23, 2012
Completed - June 2013
Completed - June 26, 2013
Completed - October 2013

Supporting Documents

-  [Dam Alternatives FAQ Sheet](#)
-  [Exeter River Great Dam Removal Appendices - Final Oct 2013](#)
-  [Great Dam Removal Feasibility Report final October 2013](#)
-  [Great Dam Removal Draft Report - Public Comments and Responses](#)
-  [Great Dam Removal Draft Impact Assessment Comment Deadline](#)
-  [Great Dam Removal Executive Summary - Final October 2013](#)

Web Links

[Dam Removal Feasibility Study Presentation Public Meeting June 26, 2013](#)[Key Documents related to the Exeter River](#)[Exeter Conservation Commission](#)[Think Blue Exeter](#)[Great Dam Removal Feasibility and Impact Analysis - Public Meeting - June 26, 2013](#)

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